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For : **"PIVOTING POWER TRANSMISSION UNIT  
WITH LOAD TRANSFER VIA THE CASING".**

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- US-6,260,793,
- US-5,823,470,
- US-4,431,148, and
- US-6,276,633 (in place of FR 2 791 319)
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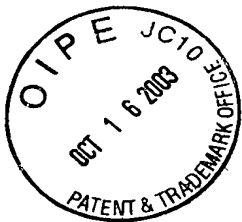
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